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SUBJECT: US GENERALIZED SYSTEM OF PREFERENCES

IN MEETING WITH UNDER SECRETARY TABOR FEBRUARY 6, PETER PRESTON, DEPUTY SECRETARY DEPARTMENT OF TRADE, SAID HMG WOULD BE VERY DISAPPOINTED IF US DOES NOT INCLUDE HONG KONG IN GSP. HE NOTED HONG KONG IS NO WEALTHIER THAN SOME COUNTRIES CLEARLY TO BE INCLUDED IN GSP AND IS MORE DEPENDENT ON EXPORTS, ON WHICH ECONOMIC STABILITY DEPENDS. MOST SERIOUS CONCERN WOULD BE IF COMPETITORS LIKE TAIWAN AND KOREA ARE INCLUDED AND HONG KONG IS NOT. PRESTON SAID HONG KONG CONTINUES TO BE IMPORTANT TO HMG, THEY WOULD FIND LEAVING IT OUT DIFFICULT TO ACCEPT AND HOPE WE WILL LOOK ON THE QUESTION SYMPATHETICALLY. HE SAID BRITISH EMBASSY WILL BE INSTRUCTED TO MAKE APPROACH TO THIS EFFECT IN WASHINGTON.

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